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FACE DEATH BY DROWNING OR BY BEING BLOWN UP

Men Who Are Dredging the
East River

Work of Years at Cost of
Many Millions — Frying
Pan Reef and Pot Rock
to Go — Quick Work at
Slack Water.

New York, July 22—Death by drowning or dynamite—these are chief among the dangers facing the men who are dredging the East River to Long Island Sound that New York may have another deep-sea passage to the Atlantic.

How this undertaking, which will require fifteen to twenty years and an expenditure of \$55,000,000 to \$75,000,000, is being carried on was told here today by officials of the dredging company, which is doing the work.

"Most of the work must be done during the slack water period at the change of tides and, as there is generally from 600 to 1,000 pounds of dynamite aboard each drill boat the danger of being rammed by passing craft and sent to the bottom is complicated with the possibility of being blown into the air," one official said.

"In Hell Gate we are demolishing Frying Pan reef, which is 480 feet by 300 feet. From eight to ten months will be required to complete this task. A drill boat is being warped across it in parallel paths thirty feet apart, drilling holes into which from 100 to 150 pounds of dynamite is packed and exploded. A dipper dredge, following the drill boat, loads the blasted rock into scows for dumping into holes seventy-five feet deep or more in the river. This leveling of the river bottom removes the source of eddies, smoothing the current.

"Pot Rock, another reef in Hell Gate, will be destroyed next. Because of treacherous currents for which it is responsible, Pot Rock is known as the wickedest spot in American waters.

"The longest slack water period registered in Hell Gate during the last forty years was twenty-three minutes. It is within that slack period that drilling points must be located, charges planted and fired and the position of the plant changed. Divers on this work are generally unable to spend more than fifteen minutes under water at a time, so that they work but half an hour in a twenty-four hour day.

"As a precaution against being rammed by passing craft the navy department and customs house officials have warned operators and owners of vessels to keep a safe distance from dredging plants. For non-compliance with this warning eighty-five captains were arrested recently within a period of ten days. Six were suspended for from ten days to six months.

"When the collision signal is sounded on one of the dredging vessels, each of the dynamite crew, wearing life belts, grabs a box of the explosive and stands by to jump overboard.

"The project of dredging the East River to the Sound was first undertaken forty years ago to provide New York harbor with an entrance which would not require continuous dredging like Ambrose Channel, where five government dredges are constantly removing the infiltrating sands. Flood Rock, in Hell Gate, was then removed and some lesser work accomplished before the appropriation was exhausted.

When Flood Rock was blasted a charge of 100,000 pounds of dynamite was fired, the official said. Launches on the river a mile away were lifted three feet out of the water, but no damage resulted.

MY DEAR, IT WAS AWFUL!

A lazy open car started from Borough Hall, Brooklyn, N. Y., the other day bound for the Flatbush hinterland. There was nothing about the car to excite even a Brooklynite, but on the rear seat sat two young women. Their dresses were short, and they sat with crossed knees and their little socks only came up to a little above the ankles. That's all there was, there wasn't any more. Also, both women were smoking cigarettes. The men in the car tried to look as if they were not noticing it, but the other women on the car-well, the sniffs could be heard above the roar of the "L" trains.



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LARGEST STONE QUARRIED IS MARVEL TO ENGINEERS

Monolith Found in Syria is 69 Feet Long, 14 Broad, 17 Deep, Weighs 1,500 Tons.

It appears that the biggest stone ever quarried was some time ago discovered at Baalbec, a place in Syria. It has always been a mystery how it was that the great blocks of granite employed in the construction of the Egyptian pyramids were ever raised to the height they now occupy. Quite as great a marvel to the modern engineer is the so enormous block of stone as the one discovered in Baalbec.

This monolith is 69 feet long, 14 feet broad and 17 feet deep. Its weight is calculated at 1,500 tons. Close at hand stand the ruins of the ancient Temple of the Sun. It is contended this huge stone was intended to form part of the building. This supposition is based on the fact that in one of the walls still

standing are to be seen great slabs of stone which by actual measurement disclose a length of 68 feet and a height of 18 feet.

More wonderful is the engineering feat which placed them in the position where they are today, fifteen feet above the level of the ground. No sign of any cement is to be found anywhere to bind the stones of this ancient structure. The slabs have been squared so precisely and polished, that only after careful search can the joining be found. It is impossible, it is stated, to thrust between them even the small blade of a pocket knife.

The beautiful perfection in all the process involved in the quarrying, preparing of the stone and the building of these ancient temples leads the scientists still further into wonderment equipment of those ancient workmen. No laborer who stopped with his hammer in the air at the strike of the clock, ever brewed these stones. Such conscientious work was only done with love or under the

urge of a great religious feeling. So it is that the archaeologists are pondering over another problem, the quality of mind and brain in the man of antiquity.

BELGIUM'S RECOVERY.

Country's Exports May Exceed Imports Before End of Year.

Belgium is making rapid recovery from German deprivations committed in the world war. At the close of the war 2,000 kilometers of railroads, 1,800 bridges, 600 kilometers of canals, telegraph, and telephone systems and a third of the factories of the country had been destroyed. Recovery has been proceeding steadily since the armistice, and Emil Francqui a Belgian minister of state writing in the Magazine of Wall Street states that the railroads telegraph and telephone systems have been almost entirely repaired. The canals are navigable and many industries have been revived. Already coal production is a little higher than in 1918 reaching 105

per cent. of prewar output in the month of April last. Textile and wool production are gradually being restored to normal and plate glass works are in full operation. The progress has been slower in the steel construction plants.

Exports, he added, to Holland, France, Italy and Germany surpass imports from those countries. The balance with England is slowly but surely readjusting itself, and from present indications it appears probable that before the end of the year Belgium will export more than she imports.

ECRIMENT CASE.

New York, July 22—Hearing of the deportation case against Arthur C. Ecrement, former Canadian member of parliament, who is now detained at Ellis Island, was again postponed today on the plea made by Ecrement's lawyer that his client had not had sufficient time to get his passport and other credentials from Montreal.

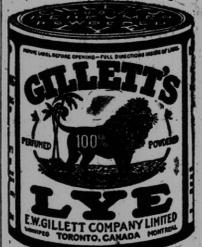
WOODSTOCK PERSONALS.

(Woodstock Press.)

Mrs. Leslie Waters of St. John, who has so many friends in Woodstock, her former home, is the guest of Mrs. Joseph Parlee. After a few weeks' stay here she will visit her friends in Aroostook county before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Stevens and Miss Annie Stevens left on Monday to spend a month in Moncton and Albert county, after which Mr. and Mrs. Stevens will attend Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Sackville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Titus, formerly of Woodstock, came from Bangor last week by auto, accompanied by Rev. John Shea and Mrs. Shea, thence going to Fredericton, returning to Woodstock on Wednesday and leaving for Houlton on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Titus going to Bangor and Mr. and Mrs. Shea going by train to Ashland, Me. Rev. John Shea left here when a boy twenty-three years ago. He has been the Anglican



pastor of churches in the southern states, and has now the church at Ashland, Me.

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Following is listed only a few of the numerous opportunities; many of them must really be seen to be appreciated:

<h3>WOMEN'S SUITS AND COATS</h3> <p>CLOTH SUITS of Men's-wear Serge, Tricotine, Poplin, Gabardine, Velour, Tweeds, in Navy, Black and prevailing 1920 shades.</p> <p>Regular Price \$41.25 \$57.75 \$67.50 \$74.25 Sale Price 32.85 46.20 53.85 59.40</p> <p>CLOTH COATS in Velours, Serges, Poplins, Donegal Tweeds, Fawn Covert Cloths.</p> <p>Regular Price \$35.25 \$44.25 \$55.50 \$62.25 Sale Price 28.20 35.40 44.40 49.80</p> <p>LEATHER AND LEATHERETTE COATS are all drastically reduced.</p> <p>Regular Price \$28.25 \$37.50 \$72.00 \$81.00 Sale Price 22.60 29.85 57.60 64.80</p> <p>All Lines of Raincoats at Big Reductions.</p>	<h3>MEN'S CLOTHING</h3> <p>\$22.00 SUITS, Now \$19.98. Dark Brown Tweeds. Sizes 36 to 42. An excellent bargain.</p> <p>\$12.00 WATERPROOF COATS, \$4.98. Fawn covert rubber lined waterproof coats, triple front, snap fasteners.</p> <p>WATERPROOF COATS, Trench style, fancy mixed Tweed effects; also plain brown and grey. Specially Priced, \$12.98</p> <p>SUITS for Men and Young Men—The usual Oak Hall standards, but greatly reduced in price.</p> <p>Regular \$30.00 \$40.00 \$50.00 \$60.00 Sale 25.40 34.85 42.90 52.30</p> <p>75 Pairs Only Overalls, either blue or black, elastic strap backs, roomy cut. Regular \$3.00 Now \$1.95</p> <p>SPRING AND FALL TOPCOATS Regular \$25.00 \$30.00 \$40.00 \$50.00 Sale 21.30 24.95 34.60 42.65</p>	<h3>MEN'S HABERDASHERY</h3> <p>Drastic Reductions in all lines of Furnishings whether mentioned here or not.</p> <p>NEGLIGEE SHIRTS Regular \$2.50 Shirts Now \$1.98 Regular 3.00 Shirts Now 2.48 Regular 4.50 Shirts Now 3.82</p> <p>BIG SPECIAL—\$2.00 Black and White Chambray Shirts, Now \$1.39</p> <p>Many other prices not mentioned here, including our entire stock of Silk Shirts.</p> <p>MEN'S HOSIERY 600 Pairs LISLE HOSE Regular 75c 3 Pairs for \$1.40 All Plain Colors</p> <p>FINE SILK HOSE Extraordinary Values, 85c. All Plain Colors</p> <p>Interwoven Lisle Thread Hose. Regular 85c. Now 65c. Black Cashmere Hosiery. Regular 85c. Now 65c.</p>
<h3>BLOUSES AND MIDDIES</h3> <p>White Voile Blouses trimmed with Val Lace, V-neck, buttons on side. \$1.59</p> <p>Voile Blouses, white and colored Peter-Pan collars; some have turned back cuffs and panel front. \$2.50</p> <p>Easily Worth \$3.75</p> <p>Every Blouse in the store at a radical reduction. Georgette, Crepe-de-Chine, Organdie, Batiste, Voile.</p> <p>Regular Price \$2.50 \$6.00 \$9.00 \$15.00 \$27.50 Sale Price 2.12 5.10 7.65 12.65 23.30</p> <p>JACK TAR MIDDIES here exclusively and all at reduced prices. Other lines of Middies also at appealing prices.</p> <p>Sale Prices \$1.97 \$2.63 \$3.50 \$3.94 \$4.38</p>	<h3>BOYS' WASH SUITS</h3> <p>Middy Suits, Russian, Oliver Twist, Johnny Bright</p> <p>Regular \$1.80 to \$1.75, Now \$1.23 Regular \$2.75 to \$3.15, Now \$2.38 Regular \$3.25 to \$3.50, Now 2.68 Regular \$4.00 to 4.00, Now 3.09 Regular \$4.35 to 5.00 Now 3.48 Boys' Blouses, Regular \$1.85 Now .98 Boys' Domet Plannel Blouses. Regular \$2.00 Now 1.59</p>	<h3>UNDERWEAR</h3> <p>Merino Shirts and Drawers. Reg. \$1.50 Now \$1.09 gar.</p> <p>Balbriggan or Fancy Naincheek Combinations. Regular \$2.00. Now \$1.69</p> <p>Mercedized Spring Needle Combinations. Regular \$4.50. Now \$3.48</p> <p>Fine Mesh Shirts and Drawers. Regular \$4.50 Now \$3.29</p> <p>Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers in either natural or white shade. Regular \$1.00 and \$1.25. Now 84c.</p> <p>NIGHTSHIRTS AND PYJAMAS White Twill Cotton Nightshirts. Regular \$1.75 Now \$1.39 Regular 2.25 Now 1.69 Cotton Pyjamas, military collar. Regular 3.00 Now 2.39 Mercedized Pyjamas, plain colors. Regular 4.50 Now 3.69 Shaker Pyjamas, silk frogs. Regular 4.50 Now 3.48</p> <p>Many Other Lines Not Mentioned Here.</p>
<h3>WHITEWEAR</h3> <p>Underwear of Silk, Wool, Cotton, etc. Nightgowns, Pyjamas, Chemise, Step-ins, Bloomers, etc.</p> <p>SALE PRICES LESS THAN TODAY'S WHOLESALE PRICES</p>	<h3>BOYS' CLOTHING</h3> <p>BOYS' SUITS in prevailing styles, made from fabrics that will stand boyish usage and workmanship that is of the best.</p> <p>Reg. \$13.50 \$18.00 \$20.00 \$25.00 Sale 11.48 15.30 16.95 21.25</p> <p>REEPERS of navy blue with brass buttons and sleeve emblems. Reg. \$9.00 \$12.00 \$15.00 \$18.00 Sale 7.65 10.20 12.75 15.30</p> <p>BOYS' SEPARATE PANTS—Long Pants. Regular \$3.50. Now \$2.98 Khaki Bloomers. Regular \$2.00. Now \$1.69</p> <p>All Lines of Boys' Bloomers at Drastic Reductions</p> <p>JERSEY SUITS. Sizes 2 to 8+ years. \$3.25. Regular \$5.00 to \$6.00. An exceptional opportunity.</p>	<h3>EVERYTHING IN THE BOYS' SHOP RADICALLY REDUCED</h3> <p>BALBRIGGAN UNDERWEAR SWEATERS POROUS KNIT UNDERWEAR JERSEYS PYJAMAS OUTING SHIRTS Bathing Suits, Braces, Belts, Hats, Caps, Hosiery, Neckwear, Collars, Garters, Underwaists, Overalls, Coveralls</p>
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